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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Vice Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM: David D. Gries *DC*  
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SUBJECT: Meeting of the Cabinet Council on Legal Policy  
on Thursday, 30 August at 2:00 p.m.

1. Attorney General Smith plans to use this meeting to brief the President on achievements in narcotics suppression. According to Justice, the objective is to demonstrate that the President's drug policy is working, his Cabinet departments are coordinated, and, as a consequence, the Administration can point to a number of successes in the fight against drugs.

2. Tabs 1 through 7, attached, should provide you with ample background.

- Tab 1 is a copy of a draft agenda that DEA prepared for Smith.
- Tab 2 is the DDCI's letter to OMB taking issue with some aspects of pending drug czar legislation. Tab 2 also includes an internal memo prepared for the DDCI on the same issue. You should be aware of this issue in case it is raised.
- Tab 3 is a briefing memo prepared for use with Senator Stevens and later Congressman Hamilton, both of whom cancelled out, as you know. This memo gives a good picture of where the Intelligence Community has made gains and where it is going.
- Tab 4 is a briefing given to HPSI staffers in July. It provides a general overview, including briefing boards, of what the Intelligence Community is doing.

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- Tab 5 consists of briefing boards prepared for the CIA portion of the DDCI's 16 May testimony on narcotics before SSCI. This will provide you with a statistical overview of CIA's contribution.
- Tab 6 is a summary of the worldwide illicit narcotics threat, prepared for the same 16 May DDCI testimony to SSCI.
- Tab 7 consists of key judgments drawn from National Estimates on narcotics.

2. There are at least two subjects that could come up of special interest to the Intelligence Community. Smith has talking points that include favorable reference to the contribution of the Intelligence Community in support of border interdiction operations--the Vice President's NNBIS organization--and in improving the overall anti-narcotics effort by providing high-quality intelligence. In the event you wish to comment, tabs 3, 4, and 5 provide material on accomplishments of the Intelligence Community. The drug czar issue may come up during open discussion following Smith's briefing, in which case tab 2 describes the CIA position; namely, that the bill as currently written poaches on the DCI's authority regarding management of the Intelligence Community. This poaching is confined to three portions of the bill, and can be corrected with new language.

  
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Attachments:  
As stated

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